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UNITING THANET

APPEAL FOR BROADER OUTLOOK

BROADSTAIRS COUNCIL ELECTS NEW CHAIRMAN

The desirability of the three Thanet towns combining to form a borough or county borough in order that they should better be able to face their difficulties after the war was emphasised by Councillor B. J. Pearson at the annual meeting of Broadstairs Council on Monday.

Councillor Pearson was speaking after he had relinquished the chairmanship of the Council after three years of office.

Councillor H. Noble was elected chairman and Councilor G. W. Lane succeeds Councillor Noble as deputy chairman.

The Thanet towns had suffered severely as a result of the war, said Councillor Pearson, and they would be much more likely to receive advantageous financial treatment at the hands of the Government if they could present a united front.

Confidence of the Members.

Proposing the election of Councillor Noble as the Chairman, Councillor H. Bing said he did so with the full realisation of the responsibilities attaching to the office. Councillor Noble had had a large amount of municipal experience, having been a member of the Council since 1935. For the past three years he had acted as deputy chairman. He had been chairman of the Entertainments Committee, chairman of the Food Control Committee and he was chairman of the Rating and Valuation Committee. That showed that he was fully capable of performing the duties of Chairman of the Council, and that he enjoyed the confidence of the members. St. Peter's had provided its fair share of prominent chairmen of the Council and he was sure that at the end of the year they would find that their confidence in Councillor Noble had not been misplaced.

Continuing, Councillor Bing said Councillor Noble would have no easy task in following such a capable chairman as Councillor Pearson, who had set him a first-rate example.

After being seconded by Councillor S. W. Fright, the proposition was carried unanimously.

Investing Councillor Noble with the chain of office, Councillor Pearson said that the period before him would be a difficult one, for the duties of the chairman of a local authority in war-time were very different from what they were in times of peace. It had been his privilege to be chairman during the past three years and any experience which he had gained during that time he would be happy to place at the disposal of his successor.

Two Ambitions Fulfilled.

Returning thanks, Councillor Noble said he had had two aims in life. One was to be churchwarden of St. Peter's, a position which he at present held, and the other was to be Chairman of Broadstairs Council. He would do his best in carrying out his duties as civic head of the town. He hoped that he would carry out his duties to the satisfaction not only of his fellow councillors but also of the townspeople.

Proposing a vote of thanks to Councillor Pearson for his services, Councillor Noble said he could not find words to express their appreciation of what he had done during the past three years. He felt he was speaking not only for the Council but for the town. He would look forward to the time when once more Councillor Pearson would be their chairman.

A further tribute to Councillor Pearson's services was paid by Councillor F. J. Malpress.

Councillor Pearson said he wished to take the opportunity of expressing to the many ratepayers appreciation of the kind letters which he had received with reference to what he had been able to do for Broadstairs. Looking back on his three years' service as chairman, which covered a period which he believed would prove to have been some of the darkest days they had been called upon to face, he did so with the pleasant knowledge of the very fine morale of the town and the close co-operation which had existed. He had received the greatest assistance from the ratepayers who had remained in Broadstairs and the Council should be proud of the way the ratepayers had responded to the appeals made to them during the town's darkest hour.

Loyal Staff.

Paying tribute to the work of the staff, Councillor Pearson said that no one who had not occupied the position of chairman knew the value or the extent of their services to the town. They had worked in a most remarkably effective and loyal manner. During the few months after Dunkirk they worked almost throughout the night and ever since had been called on to put in a lot of overtime.

Councillor Pearson said he had had the honour to be the original chairman of the A.R.P. Committee and it had been with very great gratification that he had seen the men and women of the Civil Defence services working so efficiently. Only recently he received a letter from a ratepayer who had been particularly impressed with the way in which they carried out their duties.

He had seen grow up from a small beginning a valuable service in the

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Reported Missing

RAMSGATE PARENTS' ANXIETY

News is anxiously awaited by Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Blackburn, of 449 Margate-road, Ramsgate, of their son, Sgt.-Obs. Jack Blackburn, who has been reported missing from recent air operations.

An old boy of Chatham House School, Ramsgate, Jack is 22 years of age and he joined the Royal Air Force in June, 1940.

While home on leave recently he told an Advertiser & Echo reporter of his thrilling experiences during raids over such cities as Berlin, Stuttgart, Hamburg and Nuremberg, and also over St. Nazaire.

Sgt.-Obs. Blackburn's father, well-known as manager of the King's Theatre, Ramsgate, fought in the last war.

VERY GALLANT SOLDIER

SGT. H. G. HUGHES, M.M., KILLED IN TUNISIA

Described by the padre who was serving with him as a very brave soldier, Sgt. Harry George Hughes, M.M., The Buffs, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hughes, of East View-terrace, Acol, has died of wounds received in action in Tunisia.

In a letter to the parents, the Rev. F. H. Buck, a New Zealand Chaplain to the Forces, states that Sgt. Hughes was brought to a dressing station very severely wounded by shell-fire.

The letter goes on : " I had frequent prayers by his stretcher and the doctors did everything possible for him. He was unconscious most of the time and did not suffer. He passed away and I buried him yesterday in a little cemetery nearby. Your son was a very brave soldier and had been recently awarded the Military Medal."

Soon after Sgt. Hughes, who was 28 years of age, had won the M.M. he was wounded. In a letter to his mother he wrote : " I nearly got my head cut off, but fate stepped in and I had my hand on my neck. Result : a compound on two of my fingers and just grazed my neck, making it for a time very uncomfortable."

Sgt. Hughes attended Minster School and worked as a cowman before he joined The Buffs in December, 1934.

He was sent to India two years later, afterwards served in Palestine, and had been with the Middle East Forces since the beginning of the war. He was promoted corporal a year ago and acting sergeant in July last.

The account of how he won the Military Medal, printed in the " Egyptian Mail," stated : " Sgt. Hughes saved the Royal Engineers many casualties by remaining forward alone with a Bren gun while the rest of our men withdrew. With this gun he engaged the enemy 90 mm. guns, one of them only 200 yards away, killing two of the crew and preventing the other guns from molesting the Royal Engineers. For this conduct he is awarded the M.M."

BOY'S NIGHT ADVENTURE

THEFTS FROM ST. PETER'S SHOPS

A 14-year-old St. Peter's boy of good character who broke into a shop and a sub-post office and returned later the same night to replace some of the money, appeared before the magistrates at the Cinque Ports juvenile court, Margate, on Monday.

The boy admitted breaking and entering 6 Church-street, St. Peter's, and stealing £3 7s. 6d., belonging to Mr. Basil John Brown, newsagent, and also breaking and entering the sub-post office at 41 High-street, St. Peter's, and stealing £3 8s. 6d., belonging to the Postmaster General and Pamela Iris Farthing, the postmistress.

P/I Hann said Mr. Brown, a newsagent and tobacconist, lived next door to his shop, the premises being connected by a corridor. He went to bed about midnight on 2nd April, all the doors being secure except that leading from the corridor to the back yard, which was closed but not bolted.

He did not hear anything during the night but when he got up at 5.20 a.m. he found the back door slightly ajar and on the table of the living-room was a large amount of money, some of which had been in the shop till the night before. With it was a note stating: " Mr. Brown. Three-quarters of this is yours and one-quarter is Pam's at the G.P.O."

Forcibly Entered.

Mr. Brown checked the money and found there was 21s. more than he had left in the shop. He went to the Post Office to inform Miss Farthing, and it was then discovered that the living quarters of those premises had been forcibly entered.

The police were informed, continued the inspector, and at 7.20 a.m. D/C Self and R/P/C Gayler made inquiries. They found that Mr. Brown's premises had been entered by someone climbing over a wall and corrugated iron roof, dropping into the yard and going through the door leading to the corridor. They left by a door leading from the living quarters into Church-street.

The Post Office was at a small general shop, with living quarters over the top. When Miss Farthing went to bed at 10 p.m. all the outer doors and windows were secured, and the back bedroom closed but not fastened. In the morning the back door was found open and the shop till had been cleared of about £2 10s., while about 18s. 6d. was missing from the Post Office counter. P/C Gayler found a step-ladder leaning against the rear wall in a position to reach the bedroom window, which was open. There were rubber sole footprints on the steps of the ladder and on the garden, plaster impressions of which were taken by D/C Self.

The handwriting on the note was examined and as a result the police officers went to the boy's home but he was not there. After a few minutes they saw him enter the back garden and go to the shed. When he entered the house D/C Self told him he believed he had committed two offences during the night, and he replied " Yes, sir. That's right." He was taken to the police station, where he made a complete confession. All the stolen money had been recovered, £2 7s. 6d. of it having been hidden in a shed at the boy's house.

Inspr. Hann read the boy's statement to the court, which was as follows:

" I went to bed about 10 o'clock on Friday night. I did not undress. I waited until my father and mother had gone to bed and after about 20 minutes I went downstairs and put my boots on and left the house. I went round the back of the Post Office and could not get in there, so I went up the street to Mr. Brown's. I went down into Creasy's yard, up over the sheds and down the drainpipe into Mr. Brown's back yard. I opened the door that led into the shop and then went into the room and took all the money in Mr. Brown's bag. I left by the alleyway between the house and the shop, which let me into Church-street.

Took Money From Till.

" I then went back to St. Peter's Post Office. I went round into the back garden and put the ladder up against the back bedroom window. I opened the window, which was closed but unfastened, climbed through and then went downstairs. I went to the Post Office till first and took the threepence-piece. I then went to the shop till and took £2 in notes and some silver and coppers. I also took money, about 7s., from the Post Office till. I came out by the back door and went down to Broadstairs. It was one o'clock when I was in the Post Office. I tried to catch a train, but no trains were running, so I went to Margate. From there I got to Northdown I was tired, and came back to St. Peter's.

" I went into Brown's by the door leading in from Church-street, put the money I had stolen back on the table and wrote the note you found. I also put some of the Post Office money on the table. I then went to the front of St. Peter's Post Office and put some envelopes I had taken through the letter-box. I thought I had put some money back, too, but when I got home I found it still in my pocket. Because I saw your car outside my house I hid the money in the shed. I did all this because I wanted to get away, but later changed my mind. I also stole some biscuits from the canteen at the old parish room. I took them in February, 1943."

Called His Father Names.

Questioned by the court as to why he did it, the boy repeated that he wanted to go away, but at first would not say why he wanted to go away.

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He admitted that he was happy at home and liked his work, and when pressed said he wanted to go away to the Navy to work because he wanted to be away from one of the workers who had called his father names.

Mr. Self, of the boy said the lad had never been any trouble at home and had never made any complaint. Since the case had come to light he had made inquiries and had discovered that one of the workers, who was really out to help the boy, was trying to show him the proper way to do things and made a remark about him (the father) which should not have been made. Had the boy come home and told him, instead of keeping it to himself, he would have put the matter right and there would not have been any trouble.

Probation Officer (Mr. A. E. Bray) said the boy had a good home and did a lot of reading. He had apparently remarked to his father that St. Peter's was quiet and that he wanted a change. He went about on his own, not seeking friends.

A letter was read from the boy's employer expressing the hope that the magistrates would deal generously with him and stating that he would continue to employ him, treating him as though nothing had happened so that he could live it down.

The boy was placed on probation for three years under the care of the Probation Officer at the Chairman (Councillor B. J. Pearson) saying the magistrates believed he did that stupid thing when he was upset over something.

DROWNED IN TANK

RAMSGATE BOY'S TRAGIC DEATH

Mervyn Hughes, five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hughes, of 58 Royal-road, Ramsgate, was drowned under tragic circumstances on Monday afternoon.

It appears that with two companions of about the same age the boy was playing in the grounds of St. Winifred's School when he fell into a concrete rainwater tank.

His two companions called to a passer-by for assistance and in turn Ramsgate police were informed.

Police officers dragged the tank and the body of the boy was recovered.

RECEIVED STOLEN PROPERTY

BROADSTAIRS WOMAN PLACED ON PROBATION

At the Cinque Ports police court, Margate, on Monday, Mrs. Rose Minnie Dixon, aged 37, of Howard-road, Broadstairs, pleaded not guilty to receiving a clock, oil stove, two vacuum flasks, cigarette case, pipe and pocket watch, to the value of £1 7s. 6d., knowing them to have been stolen.

The property of Mr. W. L. A. Ison, the articles were stated to have been stolen from a house in Upton-road, which had been visited by boys.

Defendant admitted that the articles were brought to her house at different times, but said she did not regard them as being of any value. The cigarette case was rusty, the flasks were rusty and dirty, the clock was in pieces and she put it together, and the watch had the hands missing.

The Chairman (Mr. J. H. Millar) announced that defendant would be placed on probation for a year.

WEBBERLEY—LAWRENCE

HOLY TRINITY WEDDING

Well-known as a member of the counter staff of Ramsgate Post Office, Miss Rita May Lawrence, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Lawrence, of Ain-Karim, Dumpton Park-drive, Ramsgate, was married at Holy Trinity Church on Saturday.

The bridegroom, an Old Ruymian, was Sgt. Philip Edward Haig Webberley, R.A.M.C., elder son of Maj. P. A. P. Webberley, of Bareilly, India, and the late Mrs. Webberley.

The bride, who was educated at Clarendon House School, was given away by her father and wore a dress of embossed ivory satin, with veil, feather coronet and white suede shoes, and she carried a bouquet of red carnations.

Her two attendants, Miss Patricia Lawrence (sister) and Miss Patricia Webberley (sister of the bridegroom), were attired in dresses of green organdinon with burgundy sashes and headdresses to match, and they carried posies of afternoon.

The Rector (the Rev. A. H. Culmer) conducted the service, the best man was Cpl. W. Webberley (brother of the bridegroom), and Miss Blanche Milgate was at the organ. The hymns sung were " Lead us, Heavenly Father," and " O perfect Love."

Among over 40 guests who attended the reception at the Commercial Hotel, Hardres-street, were many of the bride's colleagues from the Post Office.

Later Mr. and Mrs. Webberley left for their honeymoon at Oxford, the bride travelling in a red check costume with accessories to match.

The bridegroom's father and the bride's brother, Mr. Ronald Lawrence, who is an apprentice in the Merchant Navy, were unavoidably absent from the service.

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MORE EGGS FOR EASTER

Whatever menus we plan for our "stay-put" Easter this year, it is certain that there will be many occasions when a simple egg dish will meet the need. Not only for breakfast, but for supper or lunch as well, egg dishes are welcome and delicious.

Though fresh eggs are nearing their peak production, we are glad to turn to dried eggs for made-up dishes and keep the thrill of "cracking the shell" for the boiled egg on Sunday.

Here is some easy Easter-tide fare for you to try.

Breakfast Dish.

Farmhouse Fried Eggs.

2 rashers of bacon, finely chopped
2 tablespoonsful of diced cooked potato
4 dried eggs, reconstituted
A little salt and pepper

Put the bacon and diced potato in a hot frying pan, without fat, and cook lightly. Pour in the eggs, seasoned with a little salt and pepper, and cook without stirring until set and brown underneath. Then roll up and serve at once.

Savoury Dish.

Potato and Cheese Pie.

For the pastry—
6ozs. flour
3ozs. potato, well mashed
1½ozs. fat
Pinch of salt

Cream the potato and fat together and work in the flour and salt, adding a little water if necessary. Roll out into two rounds.

For the filling—
1½lbs. potatoes, cooked and sliced
2 to 3 ozs. grated cheese
2 dried eggs, reconstituted
Salt and pepper

Pour the eggs into greased egg cups. Place the cups in a saucepan with a little water, put the lid on the pan and simmer for 10 to 15 minutes until the eggs are set. Then take them out and slice neatly.

Line a sandwich tin with one of the rounds of pastry, and in it arrange layers of potato, cheese and sliced egg, seasoning each layer. Cover with the remaining round of pastry, press the edges together and bake in a hot oven for 20 minutes.

Sweet Dish.

Coquette Pudding.

½lb. potatoes
1½ozs. margarine
1½ozs. sugar
2 eggs reconstituted
½ pint household milk
½ tablespoon dried fruit or
1 tablespoon jam

Cook and mash potatoes with margarine, add sugar and eggs, beating well. Mix in the milk and fruit, pour into a greased piedish and bake in a moderate oven for 30 minutes.

WEEK OF THRILLS

CHESTER MORRIS AT KING'S

A murder mystery, a gripping story of convoys, a spy thriller and a domestic drama make up the attractive programmes at the King's Theatre, Ramsgate, this week.

To-day (Tuesday) and to-morrow, Chester Morris and Harriet Hilliard are seen in "Confessions," which moves rapidly and absorbingly through a succession of gun and fist fights with Morris one step ahead of the police in the solution of apparently insoluble crimes. The stars are supported by Richard Lane, George E. Stone and Lloyd Corrigan. "Atlantic Convoy," featuring Bruce Bennett and Virginia Field, is also being shown.

Dramatically filmed against the background of London at war, "Counter Espionage" is the main attraction for the last three days of the week. Warren William appears as the Lone Wolf turning Nazi agents pale with terror and the police green with envy. Actually working for the British Intelligence Service, he sets a trap for the enemy spies by openly involving himself in a robbery of some vital plans. Hillary Brooke plays the feminine lead. Paul Kelly, Fay Wray and Douglas Croft also appear in the programme in "Not a Ladies' Man."

CYCLE THEFTS

Two 16-year-old boys admitted at Ramsgate juvenile court on Tuesday that they stole a lamp from a cycle standing against the wall of the Prince Albert Inn, High-street, on 19th December.

Mr. A. R. Young, appearing for one of the boys, said the lad was keen to join the Merchant Navy and, in fact, was already taking steps to enter the service. The lad also admitted being concerned in the theft of two cycles from the West Cliff Theatre on 29th January.

The case against him was adjourned for three months, the Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) expressing the hope that by that time he would have joined the Merchant Navy.

Placing the other boy on probation for 12 months, Mr. Perry said "You have been led astray. You are old enough to know better."

MISCELLANEOUS

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Will Freedom Survive Utopia?

PROBLEMS OF PROGRESS

By ADRIAN ALINGTON

Peering forward into the future is an invincible human custom, particularly if it can be done through rose-coloured spectacles. The golden vision of a brighter day is always attractive.

Not so many years ago we believed in the doctrine of Progress, the inevitable upward journey of mankind towards perfection. Nowadays the march of Progress does not seem so inevitable. But if disillusioned, we do not despair.

Once again, with the prospect of a victorious end to the war beginning to gleam on the horizon, Utopia-building has come into fashion. When once we have smashed Hitler and his confederates, then, ah then will be the time for the new heaven and the new earth, the brave new world of our heart's desire. When the evil shadow of oppression has been swept away, then we can begin to build a world in which men may be free.

The word "free" is very much to the fore in all these plans and blueprints, charters and bills of rights which deal with the future. It is, in fact, probably the most hardly used word in the Utopia-builder's vocabulary. But are they always quite sure what they mean by it and how, in the long run, they are going to safeguard it?

Fortunately, perhaps, the future is veiled from our sight. What far-reaching and alarming changes may be brought about in a comparatively short while we can only judge by considering the past. One hundred years is a short spell in the majestic procession of human history. Yet consider the England on which our great-grandparents looked little more than a century ago. The difference from present-day England is staggering. The great drift into the towns, begotten of the development of machinery, had barely begun. England was still mainly rural. The squire ruled in almost feudal majesty over his little domain; the industrial capitalist had not yet come into existence. Instead of the factory-hand the individual craftsman in his workshop. Foreigners, on the whole, were regarded with good-natured contempt as comic figures, the railway as an evil-smelling and perilous innovation.

The Blessings of To-day.

What would an Englishman of that day think it he could visit the world as it is to-day? Would he not stand dumbfounded at the scene? What would he say to our tanks and planes and all the other monstrous devices devoted to the business of mutual extermination, to the spectacle of great towns, swollen to an undreamed-of size, devastated by attacks launched from the air, to the massacre of women and children and humble inoffensive people everywhere, to the idea of troops descending, as though by supernatural means, from the heavens, armed with weapons of the deadliest precision? Would he not shake his head sadly and say that this was a world invented and inhabited by madmen? It seems, alas, only too certain.

And how about this all-important question of Freedom? Would our visitor from the past consider his great-grandson a freer man than he himself had been in his time? No doubt he would realise that he had lacked many advantages; he knew in the course of his simple rustic life no cinema, no wireless, no greyhound racing, no snappy newspapers or inexpensive tailors. He had next to no education, save in the mystery of his own craft, which he understood and loved, probably he never travelled more than a few miles from his home in all his life. But despite all this, would he enviously regard his fellow-countryman of to-day, torn from his way of life to partake in the hideous business of crushing a power-drunk dictator or performing perhaps some automatic, impersonal job in a factory as a freer individual? It is, at best, extremely doubtful.

In fact, we must be more than a little cautious when we plan our brave new worlds. Science, as we have learned to our cost, may be a good servant but an intolerable master. Nor is progress inevitably beneficent in its workings; it is too largely dependent on our blundering assistance.

The Hyper-Scientific Age.

We cannot tell what the future holds in store. We can only realise by looking backwards what undreamed-of changes may occur in the short space of a century. And the realisation is frightening. If we can imagine an Englishman of to-day similarly looking forward a hundred years into the future, what would he find? A world immensely shrunken by air-transport, obviously; a world from which the madness of war has been banished—that we must hope. But beyond that there is no knowing. We can only guess at the possibilities of the new hyper-scientific age which will presumably have arisen.

And how will personal freedom be faring then? Will it flourish exceedingly or will it at the imperious bidding of scientific progress have almost entirely disappeared? Shall we, for example, have ceased to cultivate the individual arts of reading and writing, since the development of the film, the wireless and television will have rendered these laborious practices obsolete and unnecessary? Will the psychologists, forming a new and almost equally sinister Gestapo, have ironed mankind into a single standardised pattern? Will preoccupation with vitamins and hygiene have reduced our food and clothing to a stereotyped system, so that we eat pills and dress like characters in an H. G. Wells Utopia? Shall we, in fact, when the planners of the future have finished with us, possess any freedom at all? Or shall we have become a race of highly controlled hygienic robots?

Is all this unduly fantastic? Maybe it seems so. And yet when we remember the Englishman of a hundred years ago with his vision of our modern world, perhaps it is not so fantastic after all. The truth is that it might happen.

The moral is not that we should regard any attempt to improve our lot as dangerous and impracticable. Heaven knows there is plenty to be done in bettering the way of life of our people, in fighting disease, in a fairer distribution of the world's goods. And in any case, the one thing we cannot do is to stand still. But we must be on our guard, remembering that freedom is no perfunctory catchword, but the nourishment on which the human spirit, alive just now in all its incalculable and indestructable greatness, feeds and flourishes. Then we shall treat science as it should be treated, as a slave and not as a master. And there will be hope for the golden vision of the future.

HOMES OF THE FUTURE

COUNCIL AND BUILDING PLANS

"Grim, stark nakedness" and "industrial barracks" were two of the terms used by Margate councillors in describing Corporation houses when the post-war housing problem was discussed at the April meeting of Margate Council.

Alderman W. C. Redman said he hoped that when they did once more begin building houses they would have some better ideas than in the past. As they went up and down the country, whether by road or rail, they would pass certain sections of houses and somebody, with a shrug and a sneer, would say "Council houses." They stood out beyond everything in their grim, stark nakedness. Could they not get away from them when they started building again? Before the war they were tied down for money and were told by the builders that they had to use the materials which the Government said they could have. So they had places which tended to deteriorate into slums.

"To a large extent," said Alderman Redman, "Council houses do tend to deteriorate. Surely, with the brains we have in our technical staffs, we might be able to evolve something more pleasant to the eye and not less efficient for women to work in, something more in conformity with what we want this town to be—a health and pleasure resort."

Alderman Redman also suggested the provision of a few houses for old people—three-roomed bungalow-type let at a few shillings a week—so that an old couple could spend their closing years in their own home, retaining their self-respect and independence.

Garden Cities.

Councillor F. C. Baker said it would be better to build a few decent houses than a lot that would tumble down in a few years, and Alderman A. G. Hine favoured houses on garden city lines, with hot water installations, refrigerators, etc. Before he voted for any more houses, however, he wanted to know what the Government proposed to do. He described Council houses of the past as industrial barracks.

Councillor W. R. Curtis said that before the war he hoped to see a different Margate catering for people who wanted homes within a reasonable distance of London, but to attract people the Council would have to bring down the rates and assessments. He looked forward to the time when Margate would not have just a good season, whereby a few people, mostly aliens, would benefit for three months a year and then go away, leaving others to "nurse the baby" for three months.

Councillor W. J. Perkins (chairman of the Housing Committee) read a letter written by Alderman Redman to the committee urging that they should do more to clear away worn-out property in the centre of the town and redevelop those areas rather than extend property on the outskirts. He mentioned areas such as King-street, High-street and Church-square as among those which should be dealt with.

In view of the empty houses which the Council had on their hands, Councillor Perkins wondered whether they could go very far in the matter of building. They had 104 vacant properties on their estates.

GIBBONS—McKENZIE

RAMSGATE TEACHER WEDS

A teacher at Ellington School for the past five years, Miss Joyce A. McKenzie, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. McKenzie, of 42 South Eastern-road, Ramsgate, was married at the Cavendish Baptist Church on Saturday.

The bridegroom, Mr. William Gibbons, is the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Gibbons, of Stafford.

An old girl of Clarendon House School, where she was senior prefect, the bride went to Stafford with Ellington School in June, 1940, but was recalled to Ramsgate last October.

Given away by her father, she wore a dress of pale blue figured cloque with a navy blue hat, and carried a shower bouquet of pink carnations. The only bridesmaid was Miss Kathleen Thornington, of Ramsgate, who was dressed in pale blue and her bouquet was of mixed anemones.

The Minister (the Rev. Harcourt Samuel) conducted the service, Mr. Edward Walker, of Stafford, was best man, and the organ was played by Miss Hopper.

Following the wedding breakfast at the Cavendish Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Gibbons left for their honeymoon at Torquay, the bride travelling in a grey costume.

PRISONER IN ITALIAN HANDS

Spr. Jack Walter Osborn, R.E., of 98 Glencoe-road, Margate, who was reported missing just over a month ago, is now known to be a prisoner in Italian hands.

Official news that he had been captured was received by his wife on Friday and the following day she received a letter from him.

Spr. Osborn, who is 29 years of age and lived in Margate all his life until he joined the Army in 1940, is the son of Mrs. and the late Mr. W. D. Osborn, of Westfield-road, Margate. He went abroad in November last year. After attending Pettman Central School he was employed as a clerk by a firm of ice manufacturers. He played football and cricket for his school and later for the Old Centrals' Association and Margate Thursday F.C.

BROADSTAIRS

Teacher's Return.—After retiring from the staff of Holy Trinity School, Broadstairs, some time ago, Miss Ovenden will return to her former duties at the beginning of next term.

National Savings.—The sum of £1,410 was invested in national savings in Broadstairs and St. Peter's during the week ended 10th April. It was made up of national savings certificates £746, defence bonds £140 and deposits in the Post Office savings bank £524.

Light in Church.—A fine of £1 was imposed by the Cinque Ports magistrates at Margate on Monday on Amos Hughes, of Belmont-road, Broadstairs, who pleaded guilty to permitting a light to show at Queen's-road Baptist Church, Broadstairs, after black-out on the night of 3rd April. Defendant said the light came on because of a faulty switch. He had since had a new switch fitted.

Black-out To-day 9.33 p.m.—6.24 a.m.

THE SOCIAL ORDER

AN OBLIGATION ON THE CHURCH

ARCHBISHOP AT RAMSGATE

The importance of the part which the Church must play in the remoulding of the framework of society was emphasised by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. William Temple, when he addressed a Religion and Life Week meeting at the Palace Theatre, Ramsgate, on Saturday.

The Rt. Rev. Abbot Adrian Taylor, O.S.B., Abbot of St. Augustine's, Ramsgate, who presided, welcomed the recent pronouncements by the Archbishop on social problems and at the same time agreed with him that the prime duty of the Church was the Christianising of the country.

Introducing his Grace, the Abbot said the Archbishop had spoken at a number of public meetings about social and economic matters. His utterances had called forth a good deal of comment and he, personally, heartily welcomed the speeches and opinions expressed by the Archbishop on these questions. He thought he could safely say that most of his fellow Catholics felt the same. The reason for that was that he believed he discerned in his utterances unmistakable signs of his close reading of many classical Catholic writers upon social ethics.

Prime Duty.

In a recent speech the Archbishop, continued the Abbot, concluded by saying that whereas he had spoken at length on social subjects, nevertheless he was fully alive to the fact that their prime duty was the bringing of the Christian message to the individual. He rejoiced in that statement for he had always felt that it was no use them trying to impose Christian social ethics, the Christian view of economics, on a society which was mainly non-Christian. Their first duty was to try to Christianise society and then, undoubtedly, there would be a response to their other efforts. If they preached their view of economics to non-Christians they would not have the strength to carry them out because their pockets and their profits would be touched. Their primary task was to bring Christ to their fellow-countrymen.

Dr. Temple said they had been considering during the week the way in which the Christian view of life must work out in relation to a great variety of themes. That evening he wanted to speak about the need for a central store of driving power which would enable any of these things to be put into effect. There was no way of securing those things which they desired to see unless there was a body of genuine conviction—of Christian people devoting themselves to that aim. Limited human beings as they were, they found it difficult to think of more than one thing at a time. People asked whether it was the duty of the Church to preach the gospel or social reform. Why limit it? An assumption appeared to have grown up that religion had nothing in the world to do with public affairs, and that it concerned purely private matters.

Influence of Social Framework.

They realised, of course, that religion was an affair affecting the private life, but it was a question whether it must not of necessity interfere with the affairs of public life. If people admitted that it must affect public life they thought it must be done by individuals through their relationship with public life. Society was to be leavened by their faith. That did go on. If they looked back on the great traditions of the Church down the ages they would see that its message was not only how people should behave within the social framework, but what sort of thing they wished that framework to be. The social framework had a great influence on the lives of the people who lived within it.

After referring to some of the inequalities of social life, Dr. Temple said that to amass great wealth was in itself an un-Christian thing to do. It was flatly opposed to the teaching of the Gospel and the Church could not be indifferent to it. It was the educative power to society which, to his mind, chiefly imposed upon the Church the obligation to concern itself not only with the individual but to try to shape a social order in accordance with the Christian way of life. That view rather petered out in the 15th century but during the past 150 years they had been recovering it in increasing measure. It was through this process of recovery that the Churches had largely found the way of working together again in a manner which only a generation ago would have seemed incredible. That was the background of Religion and Life Weeks. If it was to be successful there must be a body of people who were professedly committed. They could not have the Kingdom of God without God. First of all they must have a Church which was genuinely and deeply Christian.

Through a Veil.

The Church, said the Archbishop, was like a lantern and there was a light within which shone out. The light shone through a veil. They did not make the Church. They were only drawn into it. What the world saw was not the inner light except in so far as they were the kind of people that the light could shine through.

Their witness to the gospel must be one of life as well as of speech. If men preached only as well as they practised they would preach very badly. The Church was not only a collection of individuals but a fellowship of people.

The majority of the people who were carrying on the voluntary part of the social services were convinced Christians, doing it as part of their Christian life. It meant the giving up of time which might easily be spent in other ways. Unless these things were run by church committees they did not generally recognise that it was the Church which was doing them. The Church usually expected people to do things through secular channels.

"We must recognise that being a good mother is one of the finest pieces of Church work in the world and let mothers feel they are doing Church work. It is not necessary that they should present a report to a church committee," continued the Archbishop.

The biggest thing the Church had done between the two wars was in connection with the reform of the penal system. None of the churches individually could claim it, but it was Christian work. The people concerned were sustained in their Christian faith in getting it done. It was going to be finally ratified when war broke out but it had largely been accomplished by administrative measures within the framework of the present law. It was Christian work and Church work, but it could not be claimed for any community. Five-sixths of the work of the Church was done in that way.

Education for Marriage.

Lady Carson presided at an afternoon meeting for women on Tuesday, when the speaker was the Rev. A. Herbert Gray, M.A., D.D.

Mr. Gray said many marriages went wrong because people were ignorant of the things necessary to marriage. They were not prepared for marriage and were not educated for it. A woman could become a wife without any training whatsoever, but could not get a job in any other capacity without some training. He considered the Church and educational institutions were largely to blame for this.

Many people married to have a good time and did not want children. That was a great mistake, for children were necessary to a happy marriage. If a woman wanted to feel at the end of her life that it had been worth living she must have had a family and have served that family well.

Christianity in the Home.

Mr. Gray, who is a well-known writer on marriage and home subjects, was one of the speakers on Tuesday evening. The meaning of Christianity in the home, he said, should be clearly defined. Jesus Christ did not mean just getting a ticket for heaven and not having any more trouble on earth.

Unfortunately there were conditions in this country which justified people asking what could be made of family life in one room. If we meant business we must see that these slum conditions came to an end and if Religion and Life did not have some proposal with that object in view he would be disappointed.

There were many cases, said Mr. Gray, in which boys and girls, or young men and women, wanted to get married, but conditions were such that if they did so the women would have to continue working—and that meant no children—or there was the alternative that the children would have to be brought up on the dole.

War was a thing which broke up families and we had got to find the way to end war if we wanted to promote family life. He would like to see women trained to be good wives and men trained to be good husbands.

Mrs. Kenneth Stovold, who has performed city and rural work in Africa under the Church Missionary Society, also stressed the importance of home life which, she said, was the training ground for the child's personality.

The chair was occupied by Dr. J. V. Walker, Ramsgate Medical Officer of Health.

The Profit Motive.

Alderman J. J. White presided at Wednesday's meeting, when "Christianity in commerce and industry" was the subject for discussion.

The Rev. J. Worlidge, a member of the Industrial Christian Fellowship, declared that except to the degree that those engaged in industry felt compelled to try to observe the Christian way in their dealings, the relationship between Christianity and industry to-day was non-existent. The purpose of industry should be to satisfy the demand for human material needs. The worst troubles in industry had been caused by man's innate conservatism and blindness to the march of progress, which had rendered the system effete. Our scientific advancement had far outstripped our moral and spiritual progress.

It was actually no longer true that demand must be in excess of supply, and had not been for the past 40 years. Supply had caught up with demand for the first time in history. In order to maintain the margin of profit for the manufacturer and trader it had been necessary for those charged with the direction of industry for the first time deliberately to restrict supplies and destroy millions of tons of foodstuffs because they might not sell at profitable prices.

The colossal unemployment figures before the war were due to the closing down of shipyards and mines, not because ships and coal were not wanted, but because it was unprofitable to produce them. The result was poverty in a world of plenty.

To day the process of amalgamation had reached the position whereby almost all essential things were under monopoly control. The old idea that competition made for efficiency had been jettisoned by the industrialists themselves.

Any solution put forward, said Mr. Worlidge, was bound to be controversial, but he believed, with the Archbishop, that monopoly control must be taken over by the State. He preferred the word community to State, because he believed the State must serve the community and not the community the State. The community was the only reason for the existence of industry, and monopolies were now in a position to hold a pistol at their heads.

If the satisfaction of human needs was the primary purpose of industry the community could afford to run some industries at a loss and balance them against those which made a profit. That could not happen at the present time. The service motive must replace the profit motive.

The other speaker was the Rev. T. Crocker Brown, B.A., B.D., who spoke of the effect of the coming of industry to Northern Rhodesia.

Christianity in Education.

The importance of preserving the religious character of our schools was emphasised by Mr. A. C. F. Beales, M.A., when he spoke on "Christianity in Education" at Thursday's meeting. The attendance on this occasion was more encouraging than at the previous meetings.

Mr. Beales said there were only two documents existing in the modern world which gave in a few pages a complete outline of a system and a philosophy of education. One was in the constitution of the Soviet Union and this, if one accepted Marxist doctrines, was a magnificent document and its principles were operated over a fifth of the world. The other document was a letter to the whole world issued in 1929 by Pope Pius XI which surveyed education completely from the Christian point of view.

Although those documents were poles apart, they both agreed that the idea of what he termed a "neutral" education was a myth. Children could grow up to become perfect mathematicians but they could also use their knowledge either for the service of, or against, mankind. Education had to inculcate a sense of service to mankind. It had to nourish the personality.

Only 70 years ago the whole of the education in this country was controlled by the Church and so strong was its Christian tradition that the State did not interfere. Two great problems had now arisen—the financial disadvantage of Church schools over State controlled schools, and the increasing indifference among the public towards the value which was set on Christian education. Some people thought religious teaching could be left to Sunday, but Christian education was really education plus Christianity "put into a cocktail shaker, shaken up and taken every day of the week."

Another problem was the differences of opinion between the denominations. "When the rank and file stand four-square as a Christian body," he said, "we might preserve religion in this country. We are already 50 years late in bringing into existence a Christian agreement."

Mr. Beales went on to illustrate how successfully Christian teaching in schools had been conducted in Holland, Ireland and Scotland. In Scotland the schools were owned and controlled by the State, but religious teaching was left in the hands of the various denominations who approved or disapproved of the appointment of teachers. "Could we not get a solution something like that in England?" he asked. "The answer depends on how far this country has or has not lost a realisation of how fundamental is the religious basis for schooling."

The Rev. H. R. Williamson, M.A., B.D., D.Litt., spoke of the growth of Christian education in China.

The chair was occupied by the Rev. Father F. A. Waterhouse, O.S.B.

New Outlook Wanted.

The question of what type of men and women we should require to play their part in making the world a better place after the war was discussed by the Rev. J. B. Middlebrook, M.A., on Friday, when the subject was "Christianity in the Individual."

Mr. Middlebrook recalled that when President Roosevelt was launching his New Deal an American wit said the country did not so much want a New Deal as a new pack of cards.

In this country we were hearing quite a lot about new schemes in connection with the after-the-war period, some of them quite revolutionary. Who was going to work them; who would it be who would carry out this social and economic reform? It had been said that the kind of people we wanted for that purpose were givers rather than getters—people who would put more into the pool than they would take out of it.

It would be interesting to know where these people were coming from. There was a belief that men and women would come back after the war with a different outlook on things, but we should remember that all those men and women would not be coming back. To-day we possessed the finest younger generation the country had ever had—at any rate, the most expensive from the point of view of education, and, he thought, the best-dressed.

We had been rather troubled by ex-servicemen of the last war—men who were ex everything else. If at the end of this war our temperament was one of gaiety and of the eat-drink-and-be-merry-for-to-morrow-we-die variety we should not have the New Order and the men and women who would bring it about. He believed, however, that among the United Nations we should find a spiritual and moral power on which we could draw.

The individuals we should need must be prayerful, universalistic in outlook and self-sacrificing.

The meeting, presided over by Mr. W. Brown, headmaster of St. George's Central School, was also addressed by the Rev. G. J. Rogers, M.A.

Appeal to Youth.

The Rev. R. D. Say, M.A., was the speaker at a meeting for youth on Sunday.

The attendance included young men and women from the various youth organisations in the town—Scouts, Guides, Cubs, Rangers, members of the S.J.A.B. Cadets, the A.T.C., the Army Cadet Unit and representatives of the Salvation Army.

The chair was occupied by a young man of 19—Gnr. Roy Vining, nephew of the Rev. P. M. Townend, Vicar of Christ Church, Ramsgate.

Basing his remarks on the fact that the most important thing in the world was the people in it, Mr. Say said the number of boys and girls present in uniforms of the various youth organisations reminded him of a great gathering which took place in Amsterdam in 1939, when boys and girls from 71 different nations met together because they belonged to the great family of Jesus Christ in order to discuss their common difficulties. They realised that although they came from all over the world they were facing the same trials in their daily lives.

This war was being fought because they believed that people were the most important thing in the world, and it was in order that the people of the world should live in "freedom from fear and want" that the Atlantic Charter was framed by the Prime Minister and President Roosevelt.

The world of to-morrow, the speaker said, depended upon the boys and girls of to-day, and what that future would be like depended upon what they believed. He asked them what the next ten years of their life would be like, and said the answer to that depended upon what they intended doing with their lives—what kind of job they took and what they intended doing with their leisure time. That again would depend upon what they believed. If they believed in Jesus Christ and tried to follow His example all would be well.

The Final Meeting.

Mr. H. J. Perry presided at the final meeting of the campaign on Monday, when the speakers on the subject of "Christianity in the World of Nations" were Mrs. Bliss, a member of the Religion and Life staff of the British Council of Churches, and the Rev. William Paton, D.D., secretary of the International Missionary Council.

Mr. Paton said it was a great mistake if they thought there was not a living Christian testimony within the Russian people. A large proportion still called themselves Christians and he thought Russia would find its own religious heart. It was tremendously important that we in this country should be ready to link up with Russia, a religious people.

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COUNCIL DIVIDED

GOOD FRIDAY CINEMAS AT MARGATE

"If we turn this down on the plea of Christianity we shall be looked on as a narrow-minded lot of hypocrites," said Councillor W. R. Curtis at a meeting of Margate Town Council on Tuesday, when a proposal to grant permission for cinema performances on Good Friday during the hours observed for Sunday performances was under discussion.

A recommendation that the cinemas should be permitted to open was carried by 12 votes to six.

Councillor W. J. Perkins, leading the opposition, declared that it was the thin end of the wedge. Members of the forces were not concerned about the cinemas being open on that day.

A similar line was taken by Councillor H. G. Pedder, who said it was just a commercial venture.

An appeal for a more broad-minded view was made by Councillor A. W. Thomson, who said officers had bewailed the fact that there was so little for their men to do in Margate.

Alderman E. S. Linington reminded the Council that in peace-time all the Corporation entertainments would be in full swing on Good Friday. A man could please himself whether he went to the cinema or not.

"Even our own boys are 'browned off' here when they come home on leave," declared Councillor W. R. Jones, who pleaded for more entertainments.

FAREWELL TO VICAR

EDUCATION COMMITTEE'S TRIBUTE

The services to education of the Vicar of Ramsgate (Councillor the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth) were acknowledged at a meeting of Ramsgate Education Committee on Wednesday.

The chairman (Alderman W. T. Smith) said it was the last time the Vicar would be attending a meeting of the committee before taking up his new appointment. He was sure it was the wish of the committee that he should express to him their thanks for his past services and the hope that he would enjoy health and happiness in his new position. They knew the value of his services, not only to the Education Committee, but to other committees of the Council.

The Vicar said he had always regarded good education as a tremendous and vital interest to the community. He much regretted leaving Ramsgate. If it had been entirely his own wish he would not have been going, but a good deal of pressure had been brought to bear. He would look back with great pleasure on the association he had had with the Education Committee and other committees of the Council. He wished to thank his fellow councillors, the staff of the committee for the help they had given him, and also the teachers.

Wishing the committee God-speed in their work, the Vicar said he hoped that when re-organisation came after the war it would be carried out both between provided and non-provided schools with a common desire to serve the community and to see that the children were educated in the fullest sense of the word. He was particularly interested in the religious side of education, which he regarded as the biggest side, and he hoped it would not be neglected.

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25 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

THE WAR OF 1914-18

We have good reason for the belief that a suggestion made in our columns that Thanet should consider the matter of forming a county borough is receiving attention in more than one important quarter. The Act of Parliament that gave Margate control of Garlinge and a part of St. Peter's has not given all that is attainable and there are some who would extend the benign suzerainty Margate wields.

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Sgt. F. Spackman, R.F.A., of Hereson, Ramsgate, has been awarded the Military Medal for his work in removing wounded men when about 50 shells from the enemy artillery landed among his battery. He has been in France since November, 1914, previously serving in India.

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Sgt. H. E. Waldron, Lincolnshire Regiment, of Ramsgate, has received the Croix de Guerre conferred by the King of the Belgians.

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Cpl. A. Afrigan, of Ramsgate, well-known as a member of The Buffs, as a Volunteer and a Territorial, has been transferred to the R.A.F. as an instructor. He is now stationed in Dorset.

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Spr. S. Woodhall, R.E., of 8 Seafield-road, Ramsgate, has died of wounds on the Western Front. A nephew of Alderman J. W. Woodhall, he was hit when close to his billet and died an hour later.

50 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

NEW LIFEBOAT

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution has just placed at Ramsgate, this important lifeboat station under the management of the Board of Trade, a new boat in place of that stationed here by the institution some years ago. The new boat, which arrived in the harbour on Saturday, is one of the largest built by the institution, being 42ft. long, 11ft. wide and having 12 rowing oars, double banked. It was constructed by Messrs. Woolfe and Son, of Shadwell, London, and possesses the usual characteristics of the boats of the institution in regard to self-righting, self-ejecting water, etc., which were fully demonstrated on the occasion of its harbour trial in the London Docks. This boat, like her predecessor, is named the Bradford, that town having been identified with Ramsgate by means of the lifeboats stationed at this port for upwards of 27 years. In that time the Bradfords have been instrumental in saving 869 lives and 63 vessels.

NAVY COMES THROUGH

THUNDER ROCK AT ODEON

Blending a human story of the Merchant Service with a stirring romance, "The Navy Comes Through" heads the bill at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, to-day and to-morrow.

Recounted against a background of the Atlantic, the story is concentrated on a handful of men typical of those who keep our sea lanes open, and reveals in stark detail the courage and endurance that is scourging the Nazis from the high seas. There are witnessed thrilling battles between an American freighter and German U-boats and planes and the efforts of a young naval lieutenant, played by George Murphy, to earn re-habilitation after he has been dismissed. Also being shown is "The Proud Valley," with Paul Robeson.

One of the most important productions of the year, "Thunder Rock" is the chief feature for the latter part of the week. Michael Redgrave has the part of Charleston, who, submerged in despair at the trend of world events, endeavours to escape from the realities of life by taking a job as a keeper of an isolated lighthouse. The story unfolds as Charleston endeavours, in his solitary confinement, to conjure up from the past a group of people who had been shipwrecked and drowned nearly 100 years previously and with whom he builds a new world of his own. Barbara Mullen has the chief supporting role. "Who is Hope Schuyler?" with Mary Howard and Joseph Allen, will also be shown.

C.D. CONTROL

Mr. Butler Asks For Release

APPOINTMENT OF C/I BUTCHER

Although the technical difficulty over payment for the office could be overcome, Mr. S. F. Butler, former Chief Constable of Ramsgate, has asked the Town Council to release him from acceptance of their offer to remain in Ramsgate for a short period as Civil Defence Sub-Controller.

At a meeting on Tuesday the Civil Defence Committee decided to recommend that C/I H. G. Butcher, who is in charge of the Ramsgate division of the Kent Joint Police Force, should be appointed Sub-Controller, that Sgt. D. L. Brown, A.R.P. Officer, should be appointed Deputy Sub-Controller, and the Town Clerk (Mr. H. G. Curtis) appointed Co-ordinating Officer.

The new appointments will carry no remuneration.

It will be recalled that when Mr. Butler ceased to be chief constable on 1st April the Civil Defence Committee recommended that he should be appointed Civil Defence Sub-Controller for a period of six months at a salary at the rate of £400 a year.

The day before the recommendation was to be considered by open Council the Town Clerk was informed by the appropriate ministry that there was no provision at present whereby payment could be made to a sub-controller or deputy sub-controller.

It was stated by Councillor the Rev. Harcourt Samuel, chairman of the Civil Defence Committee, that the Town Clerk had gone to Tunbridge Wells to discuss with the regional authorities whether there was a way of obtaining a salary in respect of the appointment.

Technical Difficulty.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Civil Defence Committee the Town Clerk reported that after discussing the matter at Regional Headquarters with the Principal Officer he had ascertained that there was no objection in principle to the committee's proposals to pay a salary to Mr. Butler and that the difficulty was purely a technical financial one in connection with grant. He had agreed with the Principal Officer a method of overcoming the difficulty but in view of further developments there was now no need to pursue the original proposal.

The Town Clerk then read the following letter received from Mr. Butler:

Dear Mr. Curtis,

I am writing to confirm my conversation with you this morning.

I appreciate that the point raised by Region as to the payment of sub-controllers is purely a technicality and that the difficulty can be overcome in the manner provisionally arranged by you with Regional Officers, but on reflection I have decided to ask the Council to release me from my acceptance of their offer to remain in Ramsgate for a short period as sub-controller.

As you know it was not my wish to remain as sub-controller after severing my connection with the police and it was only when you told me that the suggestion had been made by Sir Percy Sillitoe, the new Chief Constable for Kent, and that the Civil Defence Committee and the Council in committee had expressed a wish that I should remain to help them over the initial difficult period following the police amalgamation that I consented to do so.

I understand from you that the difficulties which were anticipated in connection with Civil Defence following the police amalgamation have already proved not to be so great as were anticipated in view of the fact that senior police officers who helped me in Civil Defence will remain in the town and will be allowed to continue to help with Civil Defence.

In these circumstances and for the personal reasons which I explained to you I should be glad if you would ask the Council to release me from the acceptance of their offer.

Yours sincerely,
(Sgd.) S. F. Butler.

Police Permitted to Help.

The Town Clerk further reported that he had ascertained that C/I Butcher, the Deputy Sub-Controller for Civil Defence, would remain as chief inspector in charge of the Ramsgate division, and that he would be permitted to carry out the duties of Sub-Controller for Civil Defence and that the police generally would be permitted to help as they had done in the past.

In these circumstances the committee felt that the reasons which originally prompted them to ask Mr. Butler to remain in office as sub-controller for a time do not now exist to the same degree and they felt that they should agree to Mr. Butler's request that he might be released from his promise to help them over the first period of six months following the police amalgamation.

Mr. Butler held the dual appointments of Co-ordinating Officer for Civil Defence and Sub-Controller. The committee felt that these offices should now be divided, and recommended:

(1) That the Town Clerk be appointed Co-ordinating Officer for Civil Defence to be responsible for the co-ordination of the general services of the Corporation before and after enemy action and to make provision for the welfare and maintenance of the population and the restoration of public services after enemy action;

(2) That C/I H. G. Butcher be appointed Sub-Controller for Civil Defence to be responsible for the general organisation, operation, supervision and control of the A.R.P. services before, during and after the time of enemy action;

(3) That Sgt. Brown, A.R.P. Officer, be appointed Deputy Sub-Controller.

Seven Years' Voluntary Work.

The report of the meeting further states that in 1936 Mr. Butler assumed the office of co-ordinating officer for A.R.P. at the request of the Council and was responsible for the creation of the organisation which by

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MENACE TO SOCIETY

BROADSTAIRS WOMAN SENTENCED

STOLE WHILE AWAITING TRIAL

"It seems almost unbelievable that a woman should flout the law to the extent of committing crimes while awaiting trial," said the Recorder (Sir Archibald Bodkin) at Dover Quarter Sessions last week in passing sentence of 18 months' imprisonment on a Broadstairs woman.

Defendant, Mrs. Grace May Cacknell, aged 25, of Linden-avenue, was charged with breaking and entering Linden Cottage, Linden-avenue, and stealing articles to the value of £10 13s. 10d., the property of Mrs. Ada Lilian Howard, on 18th February. There was a further charge of looting at the premises.

When Mrs. Cacknell appeared at the Cinque Ports police court, Margate, in March, D/C Self, K.C.C., said he went to Linden Cottage on 19th February and outside found several footprints made by a woman's shoes. Inside were several articles of linen bearing the laundry mark 0199. When he saw defendant the following morning she denied all knowledge of the theft and when W/R/C Gayler handed witness a dirty linen tablecloth bearing the laundry mark 10199 she said the laundry must have delivered it to her in error.

Later she admitted getting into the house and said "The property is here in the attic." Articles were recovered from the attic and defendant also handed over a teapot and crockery, saying "I wanted the cot because baby had nowhere to sleep."

In a statement defendant said she opened the fanlight at Linden Cottage, undid the window catch and went in. She took a number of articles but not all those mentioned in the charge.

At the Quarter Sessions defendant asked that eight other cases should be taken into consideration. They included two of storebreaking and looting, three of stealing, two of obtaining money by false pretences and one breach of recognisances.

D/C Self said there were four previous convictions against defendant for housebreaking and larceny, stealing, ill-treating her two children and breach of recognisances. She had three children aged six, five and two, and her husband was serving in the Army in India. The two cases of false pretences which she admitted were committed after her arrest and while on bail awaiting the police court hearing, and the two cases of stealing and one of storebreaking were committed while awaiting her trial at quarter sessions. Another offence of storebreaking came to light only on Saturday. He could say nothing good about the woman. She was a confirmed liar and thief and a definite menace to society. She had given the police of Herne Bay and Broadstairs a great deal of trouble.

Passing sentence the Recorder said defendant had taken advantage of the absence of owners of property to plunder their houses. There were organisations which would look after her children while she was in prison.

BOMBED BY R.A.F.

FORMER BROADSTAIRS TEACHER'S EXPERIENCE

Mme. Ena Roudier, a former Broadstairs teacher and daughter of Mrs. A. L. Austin, of Oast House, Preston, near Wingham, was the only British woman in Sfax when the victorious 8th Army marched into the Tunisian town last week.

Mme. Roudier is the wife of M. Henri Roudier, of the Police Department, and their home was one of the last to be damaged by R.A.F. planes bombing Rommel's retreating forces.

After teaching at Broadstairs, Mme. Roudier became tutor to a wealthy family and travelled with them on the Continent. She met her future husband at Cannes and later joined him in Tunis, where they were married in 1934. They had lived at Pichon and Mateur before going to Sfax.

The Germans never realised that Mme. Roudier was an English woman.

Mme. Roudier has a brother serving in the R.A.S.C. with the 8th Army.

Ramsgate Divorce

WIFE WHO LEFT HOME

In the Divorce Court last week Mr. Justice Hodson heard the undefended petition of Leslie Joseph Jarvis, now in the R.A.F., with a home address at Sea View-road, Cliffsend, Ramsgate, for a decree nisi against his wife, Jessie May, on the grounds of her adultery with the co-respondent, Herbert Town, at an address at Townley-street, Ramsgate.

The marriage was in 1924 at Elham and they lived at petitioner's present address. The marriage was happy till 1938, when his wife made an admission about her association with Town, and she left home.

After evidence in support of the charge, his lordship granted a decree nisi, with costs against the co-respondent.

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the outbreak of war had reached a high standard of efficiency.

Among the first of such organisations in the country called upon to withstand the test of enemy raiding, the local services had throughout the war reflected great credit upon their initial training for which Mr. Butler was responsible.

It was decided to recommend that the Council should place on record their appreciation of the services rendered voluntarily to Ramsgate by Mr. Butler in the capacity of Sub-Controller and Co-ordinating Officer for the past seven years.

Mr. Wingate Cuts a Twig

by F. C. Turnbull

Mr. Wingate chuckled at his own cleverness as he carried the tall step-ladder to the corner of his greenhouse. He'd rub the polish off Chip, the squirrel! (It was, of course, the children alone who chose a name for the aery acrobat. Mr. Wingate's dignity did not permit him to indulge in such childish fancies. But, in a little while, how he would enjoy the squirrel's discomfiture!)

It was not that Mr. Wingate felt any animosity toward the sprite; indeed, until recently the squirrel had never once impinged on his feelings at all. Mr. Wingate's interest moved along a plane from which squirrels and similar trivialities were excluded.

Yet, after all, he was not unaware of the little creature's existence: of his daily comings and goings in the vicinity of the garden. It was merely that he had ignored Chip's presence—until a few days ago, when, confined to bed with a severe cold, Mr. Wingate had nothing else to do but stare through his bedroom window and complain of the discomforts he suffered in an inferno of hot water bottles and scalding drinks.

His window looked out on the garden, and it was while lamenting the shadows he saw cast over his greenhouse in the early part of the day by beeches (which he refused to remove, since they imparted an air of distinction to his home) that Mr. Wingate first took notice of the squirrel.

How easily the little wretch could bounce along his aerial highway, from tree to tree, without a pause to scan a distance, or gauge the strength of a twig! Above the corner of the greenhouse he leapt confidently across six feet of space, dropping through a spray of leaves to land on a slender bough beneath them.

How funny, thought Mr. Wingate, when he had watched Chip a time or two, if one day the perky imp should make that leap—and find no bough beneath the spray to receive him! And the big rainwater barrel at the corner of the greenhouse was immediately below that point!

In that moment Mr. Wingate conceived a most attractive idea. He felt (and how complacently he reflected on it) that there must yet be something of the boy in him, that he should think of anything so delightfully mischievous. When trimming back the beech twigs to admit the sun, he would cut that bough from the squirrel's highway, and, by the hokey, he'd souse him in the water butt!

Beneath the blankets, Mr. Wingate's sweltering body quivered with laughter. In his mind he saw the squirrel leap, drop through the leaves, into the barrel, and claw his way out over the edge, resembling a bit of wet rope, and with all the fizz soaked out of him. What a lark!

And now, a convalescent, only an hour out of bed, Mr. Wingate had been lured into the garden by the genial warmth of the sunny morning. There, feeling that a little exercise of a not-too-strenuous nature might hasten his complete recovery, he had decided to prune away the beech twigs shadowing the greenhouse.

Yes, and he would cut the squirrel's bough at the same time, then sit in a garden chair and wait to enjoy the downfall of the pert little creature when he came along.

Down on the lawn, little Dorothy and her brother were making a tent with the car rug and two walking-sticks. They squealed with delight when a grasshopper lit on the rug and got his whirring apparatus entangled in the wool. Mr. Wingate silenced them sternly, that their laughter might not alarm the squirrel, should he come around. Then he commenced his pruning.

When the twigs that had overhung the glass were cleared away, Mr. Wingate backed the ladder under the squirrel's bough, chuckling gleefully. He looked up. Ah, yes; he'd need the long-arm shears for this; the bough was rather high; but the higher the bough the farther the fall and the bigger the splash. Ha, ha! This was fun!

But even with the long shears Mr. Wingate found it necessary to stand on the very top of the step-ladder. Poised uncertainly there, for he cared little for the higher altitudes, Mr. Wingate reached up with shears. The bough was little thicker than his fingers, but it was tough. For quite a while he sawed and chewed on it with the shears, and it sagged at last, then hung perpendicularly.

Mr. Wingate paused and eyed the pendent bough, and wondered if that would do. Over on the lawn, Dorothy and the boy were calling to him, but he did not listen—until he suddenly realised that they had said something about "Chip." And at the same moment Mr. Wingate caught a fleeting glimpse of red fur flickering among the foliage, leaping gaily toward him.

There was no time to descend the steps. Mr. Wingate thought hurriedly. The squirrel had not yet seen him, probably would not see him through the leaves. He would crouch where he was, on top of the steps. He would never be noticed, and—oh, he could not have found a better point from which to view the proceedings. His cheeks bulged as he suppressed a laugh, and slowly he bent his knees.

With a piece of beechmast—treasure for a winter cache—held in his jaws, Chip hopped lightly down a sloping branch and leapt to the spray of leaves. As he broke through them the squirrel saw that his landing-point was gone, and with bewildering rapidity he inverted himself in the air and clasped back at a leaf.

His paws clutched it. For an instant he swung like a pendulum, then the leaf stem broke.

Down he dropped, his paws with their keen claws raking the air for something to grasp. And he fell flat, and still grasping, on Mr. Wingate's upturned face.

Mr. Wingate, forgetful of his perch, jerked sharply backward as the keen claws seized tightly on his nose. The step-ladder swayed alarmingly; Mr. Wingate lurched and flung out his arms to preserve his balance. The shears flew from his hand and fell with a crash of breaking glass through the greenhouse roof.

With the squirrel still clinging tightly to his face, Mr. Wingate rocked violently back and forward, flailing his arms. The step-ladder yawed on two legs, farther, then farther still, then over it went, through the side of the greenhouse, while Mr. Wingate's elbow and knee went through the roof.

The squirrel took a wild leap to the ground, while Mr. Wingate grabbed out for something to hang on to. His hand closed on a raw edge of glass. Hurriedly he opened it again, and with a wail of pain he dropped from the roof and—disappeared.

"Mummy! Mummy!" Little Dorothy went shrieking up the garden path. "Oh Mummy! Daddy's in the water barrel!"

A little while later, buried again in a volcano of hot water bottles and blankets, Mr. Wingate paused in his sneezing long enough to glower through the window. High in a beech he saw a squirrel squatted on a twig and nibbling beechmast in the sun. "Garrrr!" snarled Mr. Wingate savagely, heaving over, turning his face to the wall.

The End

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Consumers are reminded that the above quantities are maximum quantities and not rations to which they are entitled. The quantity that can be delivered to any premises depends on the state of local supply.

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AWAY FROM RAID STRAIN

FREE HOLIDAYS FOR RAMSGATE CHILDREN

A number of Ramsgate children are to benefit by a scheme organised by the South-Eastern Regional Committee of the Lord Mayor's National Air Raid Distress Fund for giving two weeks' holiday to some of the children in coastal towns who are most in need of a period of recuperation away from the constant strain of air raids and alerts.

Accommodation is being made available at Tangley Place, Worplesdon, near Guildford, and children eligible for admission are boys up to 10 years and girls up to 15 years of age.

Fifteen vacancies fortnightly have been reserved for Ramsgate children as from 27th April and all the charges will be defrayed by the War Relief Committee from the Lord Mayor's Fund.

Ramsgate Education Committee are unanimous in supporting the scheme and have appointed a sub-committee consisting of Alderman W. T. Smith, Councillor the Rev. Harcourt Samuel, Mrs. E. M. Farmer and the Rev. S. B. Green to co-operate with the head teachers and appropriate officials in the selection of children.

SUGAR FROM SALT

It was a most distinguished American who once shocked the world by stating frankly that "History is bunk," and almost every one of us some time or other in our earlier days wondered if it were worth all the fuss our elders seemed to make of it. But the lessons of history can be useful when it comes to getting out of tight corners. We were so apt in years before the war to pursue the most up-to-date—the latest novel, the latest tennis champion, the latest discovery, or the latest fertiliser—that we forgot the virtue in the practice of our grandfathers. Fortunately, when we ran short of potash, the historically-minded among us remembered common salt, which for centuries was a useful fertiliser for many of our crops.

Scientists have examined salt afresh and confirm that our grandfathers were right—it is a good fertiliser, especially for mangolds or sugar-beet, and particularly on light soils.

In addition to its fairly common use on mangolds, salt mixed with nitrate of soda was for long a popular top dressing for wheat in some parts of the country. It has also been used alone for top dressing cereals, notably barley on light soils.

Farmers fairly commonly add salt to damaged hay to prevent mould in the stack and increase palatability, but few seem to have tried the effect of adding salt to good half-made hay as a means of avoiding loss of leaf, colour and feeding quality, by reducing the interval and the handling between cutting and stacking. On the other hand, salt depresses the yield and quality of potatoes, but to compensate for this its harmful effects can be made use of sometimes by applying strong solutions as a weed-killer. Charlock in mangolds and sugar-beet has been destroyed by a 20 per cent. solution applied at the rate of 100 gallons per acre on a dry, hot day, which seems essential.

COST OF POLICE SERVICES

WILL NOT BE CHEAPER —SAYS ALDERMAN

One of the points put forward in support of the amalgamation of the Kent police forces was that it would lead to economy of expenditure.

This view is not shared by Alderman F. L. Pettman, chairman of the Watch Committee of Margate Town Council, who has been appointed the Council's representative on the Standing Joint Committee for the new force.

At a meeting of Margate Town Council on Tuesday Alderman Pettman said he believed the estimates allowed for more expenditure, and that the police service in Margate would cost more than it had while under the Council. He imagined that some of the representatives on the Joint Committee would have something to say about it.

"I can assure you," said Alderman Pettman, "that it will not be cheaper."

It was also disclosed at the meeting—for the first time in public—that the former Chief Constable of Margate (Mr. W. Palmer) is a District Assistant Chief Constable of the new joint force, subject to the appointment being confirmed by the Standing Joint-Committee.

EVACUEES' RECITAL

A recital by boys of the junior choir of Chatham House School, with Mr. G. C. L. Neville at the organ, was given at the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Uttoxeter.

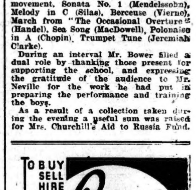
Both the singing of the boys and the playing of Mr. Neville were well received by an appreciative audience, and the introductory notes to each item, read by Mr. H. J. Bower, who presided, added greatly to the enjoyment of the music.

The boys' voices were heard to advantage in the 150th Psalm, "Jesu, joy of man's desiring," and Brother James's air," the two latter with especially attractive organ accompaniments. They also sang "Praise," by Dyson, and Bishop Ken's "Evening Hymn" to a tune by Schumann.

Mr. Neville provided a particularly well varied programme, including: First movement, Sonata No. 1 (Mendelssohn), Melody in C (Silas), Berceuse (Vierne), March from "The Occasional Overture" (Handel), Sea Song (MacDowell), Polonaise in A (Chopin), Trumpet Tune (Jeremiah Clarke).

During an interval Mr. Bower filled a dual role by thanking those present for supporting the school, and expressing the gratitude of the audience to Mr. Neville for the work he had put in preparing the performance and training the boys.

As a result of a collection taken during the evening a useful sum was raised for Mrs. Churchill's Aid to Russia Fund.



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Whist Drives held every evening at Ramsgate Working Men's Club, Chatham-place, at 7 p.m., in aid of the Red Cross Fund. Admission 1s Good prizes.

Children's Footwear.—Ramsgate War Relief Committee have given a further donation of £75 to Ramsgate School-children's Footwear Fund.

Organ Recital.—Mr. Stanley Sackett, F.R.C.O., will give an organ recital at the Cavendish Baptist Church, Ramsgate, to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock.

Savings.—Ramsgate saved £4,737 during the week ended 10th April. The amount consisted of deposits in the Post Office savings bank £3,655, savings certificates £1,002 and defence bonds £80.

Whist Drives every Thursday at 3 p.m., at the Gymnasium, Clarendon House, Ramsgate, in aid of Red Cross Fund and Mayor's Services Comforts Fund alternately. Admission 1s. Good prizes.

Refuse Collections.—There will be no collection of house refuse in Ramsgate on Good Friday and Easter Monday. Instead, collections will be made on Saturday and Tuesday respectively.

Hollicondane School Petition.—Ramsgate Education Committee have decided that it is impossible to comply with a request contained in a petition signed by parents living in the West Dumpton area asking for the opening of Hollicondane School.

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School Attendance.—The average number on the roll at Ramsgate elementary and central schools during March was 1,759 and the average attendance 1,553, giving a percentage of 88·28. Holy Trinity headed the list with a percentage attendance of 94·15.

Trial by Jury.—W. S. Gilbert's "Trial by Jury" was presented by the St. George's Players, of Ramsgate, under the auspices of the Brighter Broadstairs League, at St. Andrew's Hall, Reading Street. About £4 was raised towards the fund for the Thanet bed in a Malta hospital.

Bowls Green Opening.—The St. Lawrence Cliffs bowling green at Ramsgate will be opened for the season on Saturday next with a match between teams representing the President (Mr. C. Nixon) and the Chairman (Alderman T. W. Mockridge) of Ramsgate Bowling Club. The match will begin at 2.30 and teams will be selected on the green.

St. Dunstan's Appeal.—St. Dunstan's, a famous organisation helping all men of the fighting forces and all men and women of every home defence organisation who may be blinded in the course of their duty, asks for your help. A house-to-house collection will be made in Ramsgate next week by accredited volunteer collectors.

Pianist Wins Contest.—Playing the piano with professional polish, L/Bdr. Stanley Wright, R.A., of Bromley, won the services' talent contest at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, on Friday. Two vocalists—A/B George Ware, of Dagenham, and L/Cpl. John Collins—came second and third. Gnr. F. F. Manley put on an amusing act by impersonating Carmen Miranda.

St. George's Concerts.—An attractive concert to be presented at St. George's Parish Hall, Ramsgate, on Easter Monday, will include W. S. Gilbert's famous play "Trial by Judy." The concert will begin at 7.30 p.m. St. George's Sunday school scholars and staff will give another concert on the following Wednesday. Further particulars will be found in the advertisement.

Easter Extensions.—Ramsgate magistrates on Monday granted extensions of the permitted hours until 11 p.m. on Thursday, Saturday and Monday in respect of the South Eastern Tavern, North Pole Inn, Rising Sun, Northwood Social Club, the 1914 Club and the Oddfellows' Club. Similar extensions were granted to the British Legion Club for Thursday and Saturday and to the Ramsgate Social Club for Thursday, Saturday and Monday for concerts to be held on those nights.

Presentation to Mr. H. V. Betts.—In appreciation of his work as chairman of the Auxiliary Police Association, W/R H. V. Betts, of Bay View, Pegwell-avenue, Ramsgate, who recently resigned from the service, was presented by his colleagues with an occasional table and the works of Shakespeare at the police station on Friday. W/R H. Haworth, who presented the gifts on behalf of the committee and members, paid tribute to W/R Betts' untiring work as chairman since the inauguration of the organisation in November, 1941. Returning thanks, W/R Betts thanked his fellow members for their co-operation and loyalty.

GIFTS TO HOSPITAL

Annual subscriptions amounting to £74 0s. 6d. were received by Ramsgate General Hospital during February and March.

Donations were as follows: Anon., £26 5s.; Ramsgate and Broadstairs Post Office staffs, £5; Minster and Monkton War Comforts Committee, £4 19s. 6d.; personnel of an R.A. gun operations room (1d. a time for the privilege of smoking on duty), £2 10s. 2d.; Miss I. S. Quick, £1 1s.; Raamsgate Borough Police, £1 1s.; Mr. Walter Elliott, £1; Mr. E. R. Goodson, £1; Mrs. E. A. Palmer (Eye, Suffolk), £1; Mr. C. J. Side, 10s.; Mr. T. J. White, 5s.; Mr. Arthur Cates, 5s.

Church collections amounted to £2 17s. 6d. and box collections £2 5s. 2d. Contributory schemes realised £268 14s.

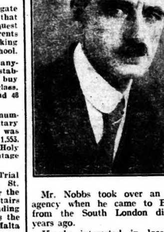
Vegetables, crutches, calendars, eggs and linen were among the gifts in kind.

BLACK-OUT TO-DAY FROM 9.33 p.m. TILL 6.24 a.m.

Ex-Councillor's Death

PASSING OF MR. A. A. NOBBS

A member of Broadstairs Council for nearly six years until his retirement owing to ill-health in January, Mr. Arthur Augustus Nobbs passed away on Thursday at the age of 62 at his home, Marston, Stanley-road, Broadstairs.



Mr. Nobbs took over an insurance agency when he came to Broadstairs from the South London district ten years ago.

Keenly interested in local government, Mr. Nobbs was returned unopposed as a representative of the Kingsgate Ward of Broadstairs Council in March, 1937. Under the emergency war-time legislation his term of office, due to expire in 1940, was continued, but he was taken ill the following year and was unable afterwards to devote much time to the affairs of the Council.

The funeral takes place at St. Peter's to-morrow afternoon.

At Monday's meeting of Broadstairs Council the Chairman (Councillor H. Noble) said no man had the welfare of the town more at heart than Mr. Nobbs. Broadstairs had lost not only a good councillor but a good citizen.

The members stood for a few moments in silent tribute.

COLLIDED WITH TAXI

N.F.S. CYCLIST FINED

An 18-year-old mechanic of the N.F.S. who pleaded guilty at Ramsgate police court on Monday to riding a cycle without lights and to the danger of passengers, was told he was lucky not to be seriously injured in the accident in which he was involved.

Defendant was Alan Dyson Furness, of Vale-square, Ramsgate.

C/I Butcher told the bench that at about 8.20 p.m. on 1st April, Mr. Victor Weedon was driving a taxi along Grange-road in the direction of the railway station. Just before reaching the junction with Ellington-place he saw a bus pull up, apparently to allow him to pass. Defendant rode out from behind the bus into Grange-road in front of the taxi and his machine was not displaying a light. The taxi driver could not stop but pulled over to the right and collided with the cyclist.

P/C Weller went to the scene of the accident and in a statement Furness said he was cycling through Ellington-place and passed the bus 20 or 30 yards from the Grange-road junction. On seeing the taxi he applied his rear brake and swerved to the nearside, the car swerving to its offside but hitting him with its nearside front wheel. The driver came to him and said "You are very lucky." As a result of the collision his cycle was badly buckled. Defendant told P/C Weller that if the driver had pulled up more quickly the accident might have been avoided.

Pointing out to defendant that the junction of Grange-road and Ellington-place was a very dangerous corner, the Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) announced that he would be fined 5s. on each summons.

BROADSTAIRS COUNCIL ATTENDANCES

The members of Broadstairs Council have a good record of attendances at meetings.

The following figures of meetings attended and percentage attendances were read by the Clerk (Mr. E. F. Owen) at the annual meeting of the Council on Monday:

Councillors H. Bing, 134—95·03 per cent.; F. Foster, 87—66·41; S. W. Fright, 131—83·44; B. Humphrey, 148—99·32; G. W. Lane, 121—75·62; F. J. Malpress, 107—77·53; E. K. Minter, 82—65·07; H. Noble, 148—94·26; B. J. Pearson, 130—87·25; O. Robinson, 118—90·07; A. T. Tucker, 18—100.

On Service

NEWS OF THANET MEN & WOMEN

Britain's Ambassadors. "The native population," he continues, "is divided mainly into two sects—Europeans (mainly French, Spanish and Italian) and the Arabs. The latter are abhorred by the Europeans who feel that their turn has come at last with our arrival. It seems that Jerry's propaganda was very intense and successful with the Arabs, who gave the Europeans a rough time until we came. In the main, however, the Arabs are very friendly towards us. They show no open hostility and day by day I think we are teaching them to respect us. Of course, they are 100 per cent. rogues and thieves and must be watched but I think it can still be said that Britain's best ambassadors are her soldiers. It is surprising how easily our lads smooth out awkward situations and the efforts of some of our pseudo-linguists are most amusing.

"The other day a laddie walked into a shop with a rather confused look on his face. It was obvious that he had just arrived on these shores and was taking an opportunity of purchasing some fruit to send home. He stalked to the counter with a timid appearance on his face and after gesticulating a while blurted out 'Cinq boxes of fruit, madame, please.' A Cockney standing at my side said to him 'Yer don't mean five boittes der frueet, do yer, chum?'"

Presents from India. A fancy tablecloth and a cushion cover of velveteen, into each of which is worked a picture of the Taj Mahal, have been received by Mr. and Mrs. O. Brooks, of 68 High-street, from their son, Spr. Alfred Brooks, who is in India with the Royal Engineers. Alf, who is 24 years old, came with the family from South Wales 14 years ago and attended Ellington School. Employed as Chislet Colliery, he joined up with the first militia, fought in France and was evacuated from Dunkirk. Twelve months ago he sailed for India, where he has spent three months in hospital with malaria. Alf has also sent home a silk dressing gown and stockings for his sister Trixie.

His brother, Flt.-Sgt. Wilfred Brooks, was killed in July, 1941, when his aircraft crashed following a raid over enemy country. Wilfred was engaged to Miss Nora Higgins, 21-year-old daughter of Mr. R. Higgins, of Ramsgate, and an old girl of West Cliff College, who is now employed by the N.A.A.F.I. in Kent.

Safety Course. The jovial face of Acm. Bill Solly was seen in Ramsgate again last week. Bill, whose home is in Rosebery-avenue, has been serving in the Royal Air Force for two years and, following his leave, he is expecting to go on a safety equipment course. For eight years prior to the war he was employed by Mr. Harry King, the grainer, of Denmark-road. His wife and two children, temporarily living at Guildford, came down to Ramsgate with him.

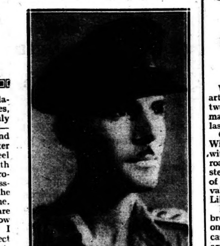
Change of Camp. Pte. Clifford George, The Buffs, of Ramsgate, writes to say that he has been moved to another prison camp in Italy and continues to be treated well. His new camp, a converted linen mill, was opened only last November and prisoners are still engaged in completing it.

You like to have news from your sons and daughters in the forces, so do we. We invite you to pass on their stories to us so that their friends may know how they are getting along.

From A.T.C. to R.A.F. Several members of the Thanet Squadron, Air Training Corps, have left recently for service in the R.A.F. They include Cdt. Roland Hubbell, 18-year-old son of Mr. H. R. Hubbell, of St. Margaret's, Roman-road, Ramsgate. Roland is an old boy of Ellington School and both he and his father are on the office staff of Ramsgate Corporation Gas and Water Department. Another recruit from the A.T.C. is Ronald Coleman, of Nethercourt-hill, Ramsgate, who was employed in the printing works of a local newspaper. He has done a bit of amateur entertaining locally and is a clever impersonator.

Ramsgate Men Meet. Acm. Bill Rogers, R.A.F., son of Mr. and F. Rogers, of 81 Crescent-road, Ramsgate, has had the good fortune to meet two other local men while taking a fitter's course in the north. They are Acm. Frank Eccleston, son of Mr. George Eccleston, the clerk to Ramsgate County Court, and Ldg.-Acm. Ted West, an old St. Georgian, who was employed by Messrs. Timothy White at Ramsgate before joining the service. Bill was home on a "48" during the week-end.

Cooks for the Chiefs. Pte. William Faulkner, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Faulkner, of 136 Ramsgate-road, Margate, has the distinction of cooking for the chiefs of the Allied Forces in North Africa. Employed in the generals' mess, has has at different times recently cooked for Gen. Eisenhower, Gen. Alexander, Gen. Montgomery, Adml. Cunningham, Gen. Giraud and Air Mshl. Tedder. "All were very pleased with their meals," he says. Pte. Faulkner, who is 36, worked in the kitchens of hotels in Margate, London and Bournemouth before joining the Army Catering Corps as a chef.



On the Spot. Capt. William E. (Bill) Andrews, R.A.O.C., a popular member of the staff of Ramsgate Corporation Gas and Water Department, has had what he calls the greatest thrill of his life. He has shot a leopard. Writing from Ceylon to his wife, who lives at 6 Florence-terrace, Albert-road, Ramsgate, Capt. Andrews says "I made a special trip for him, having been notified that one was in the area. I had intended to get him by night, the shikar, or tracker, making all arrangements. However, I arrived early and decided to take a walk in the opposite direction to the one for our night vigil in a tree.

"I took my rifle and, having gone about half a mile into the jungle, the shikar at my side, I suddenly had the shock of my life. Out of the jungle on my right stalked a magnificent leopard. I felt really ill but perhaps did not realise it until afterwards. He took one look and started to 'slope' off at an angle. I raised my gun, took quivering aim and fired and down he went, rose again and half turned towards me. My thoughts then were sickly, but I fired again at about 25 yards and he went down struggling and died quickly. My relief was immense and my good fortune had been extreme. The boys were called to bring him in. He weighed 200lbs., was 8ft. 2ins. from nose to tail tip and his skin is beautiful."

Third Stripe Regained. Wally Setterfield has regained his third stripe while serving with the R.A.O.C. in North Africa. Four months before he went overseas he gained the rank of sergeant but as this must be held for six months before it becomes substantive, he had to revert to corporal on sailing. Anyway, he has, as he says, retrieved himself now and is feeling happier about things.

Nineteen in the Net. A member of the office staff of Ramsgate Corporation Gas and Water Department, Wally is best known locally as the playing secretary of their football club and, from a letter he has written to the Advertiser & Echo, it seems that he is taking a very active part in the sport overseas. "I have been playing for the Ordnance A.F.H.Q. against the other branches of service," he writes. "So far I've scored 19 goals in ten matches. I was selected and played for the representative A.F.H.Q. team against the Royal Navy last Sunday. It was a real smasher and the ground was packed, although it was raining nearly the whole game. We lost 4—1 but were unfortunate in having our goalkeeper injured early in the game. The Navy boys thoroughly enjoyed themselves and all voted it the best game we had had since leaving home. There is a Frenchman named Le Grand on the staff at our billet who has played for North Africa v. France and for France v. England. He really is a good scout and turns out to referee our matches in all weathers."

Just how much the arrival of the Advertiser & Echo means to the lads out there is summed up in Wally's comment "it really makes life worth while, getting news from home." His unit was among the first of the arrivals in North Africa and their mail had an unfortunate habit of not turning up, in fact, they were there six weeks before any letters arrived. Christmas-time, Wally says, was very disturbing for after the assassination of Darlan it was not at all clear how the general population would react. Now, he continues, the British receive great co-operation from the French but they are painfully short as Jerry stripped the place before he left.

The country around is very fertile and, in the abundance of fruit, it brings him memories of the Garden of England, although ,of course, the fruits are very different and oranges, targerines, dates, figs and lemons are plentiful.

Bleeding the Country. There is a good supply of vegetables and huge cauliflowers sell at 3d. each, while lettuce, onions, carrots, artichokes and turnips are very cheap. The Germans were sending this food out of the country so fast that the people were in a very bad way and consequently the whole of North Africa was a liability to the British but in the short space of four months a remarkable change took place. Instead of bleeding the country we brought whole shiploads of foodstuffs and other commodities. The rate of exchange was altered from 300 to 200 francs to the £, thus giving the natives a bigger purchasing power. "We are also commencing to work out big things for their economic future which were never thought possible," Wally writes.

The Umbrella King. Cpl. Charles Bishop, R.A.M.C., of 85 Victoria-road, Margate, who has just returned to England after two years on the Gold Coast, had the somewhat amusing experience of being introduced to a native king dressed in a cloth of many colours and sheltered from the sun by an umbrella held by a small boy. Charlie found the coast natives very hospitable, although those up-country were more wild. It often rained for days on end and he experienced several terrific summer hurricanes. One of the main native dishes was "fu-fu," made of plantains, which were like large unripe bananas, and yams—tubers resembling potatoes. These were mixed together and pounded up and the meal was supplied in bowls to separate groups. Going for a canoe trip up the river on which the film "Sanders of the River" was made, he and his companion saw crocodiles but were not troubled by them. Twenty-four years of age, Cpl. Bishop is an old boy of Petman Central School and until he was called up soon after the outbreak of war was employed in a printing office.

SOLDIERS SENT FOR TRIAL

LOOTING ALLEGED AT MARGATE

Wireless sets and jellies were among articles alleged to have been stolen by two soldiers who appeared before the magistrates at Margate police court last week.

Gnr. Harold Roberts, 19, and L/Bdr. Wilfred Blackwell, 22, were charged with breaking and entering 6 Hatfeild-road, Margate, on 25th March, and stealing a wireless set, violin, quantity of cutlery and other articles to the value of £50, the property of Grace Lilley.

Roberts was further charged with breaking and entering 10 Hatfeild-road on 26th March and stealing two suitcases, a wireless set, a clock and other articles to the value of £29 3s., the property of Margaret Wither Lobb.

Blackwell was charged with receiving a wireless set belonging to Mrs. Lobb, knowing it to have been stolen.

In respect of each house there was a charge of looting.

Mr. E. Weale, who prosecuted, said defendants were at one time billeted in a house between 6 and 10 Hatfeild-road. All the stolen property had been recovered, some having been sent to the men's homes.

Windows Broken.

Mrs. Grace Lilley, of Hare-lane, Farncombe, Surrey, said she left 6 Hatfeild-road furnished in June, 1940, and Mrs. Lobb, of 10 Hatfeild-road, said she went away in January last. Both stated that when they visited the premises at the beginning of this month they were in disorder, articles were missing, and each had a rear window broken.

D/C Tinson said that on the morning of 30th March he went to the rear of 10 Hatfeild-road and found a scullery window had been broken and the glass removed. Later in the day he was examining other property when he found that a rear kitchen window at 6 Hatfeild-road had been broken in a similar manner. As a result of inquiries he, together with D/I Cory, saw Roberts at his battery headquarters on 1st April and told him that a wireless set was among articles missing from houses which had been forcibly entered in Hatfeild-road. He also told him that he understood he had sent a wireless set by rail to Liverpool on 27th March. Roberts replied "Yes. I did. I collected it from an aunt in London. I returned from leave on 22nd March and sent it home."

Wireless Set in Cupboard.

After further questioning he said "I may as well tell the truth. I was working in the garden at the rear of the billet when I went to No. 6, pushed the window in with my hand, got in and took the set. I also went to No. 10 and broke the window in a similar manner and took a wireless set and other articles." He added that Blackwell took that set when he was moved to another billet.

When Blackwell was questioned he admitted that this was true. Witness accompanied both men to 8 Hatfeild-road and in a cupboard in the scullery found a wireless set wrapped in brown paper with a door mat. They then went to another billet at 12 Hatfeild-road, where Blackwell fetched some cutlery from his room. From Roberts' billet in Canterbury-road he recovered a clock, violin and other articles. Later Blackwell said he also took a card-table, some saucepans, dishes and other articles from No. 6, which were at his billet. Witness found the saucepans and dishes packed with some provisions in brown paper parcels. One parcel was addressed to Blackwell's wife.

Took Bed to Billet.

Witness read a statement which Roberts made, in which he said he and Blackwell were digging in the garden at the rear of their billet on 25th March when Blackwell went into the garden of No. 6 and took an old iron bedstead from a shed, which he fixed up in their room. Later they looked round the next house, and as the kitchen looked fairly comfortable through the window they thought it would be useful to do their writing. They decided to break the window and he pushed it with his hand. Blackwell helped him to get through, and he opened the door to let him in. He (Roberts) picked up several articles, including soap, and Blackwell took some cutlery.

After tea that day he again went to the house, saw a wireless set and took some jellies, etc., back to the billet. He decided to go back for the wireless set, which he took to their room. In the evening he told Blackwell where the set came from. The next morning he found the back door of No. 6 standing open and went in to investigate. The interior was in greater disorder than on the previous evening. Later he sent the wireless set and other things away and Blackwell also sent some things.

Roberts stated that he broke the kitchen window of No. 10 in the same way and let Blackwell in by the door, but he left again. He (Roberts) took two suitcases to his billet and in the evening went back to the house. He then found a radio, which he took back and fitted up. He also took other things.

Blanc Manges From Swindon.

A statement by Blackwell, which D/C Tinson also read, was of a similar nature. In it he admitted that he took some knives and forks the first time he went into No. 6, and later took some saucepans, basins and dishes. He did not go into No. 10.

D/C Tinson added that he later received some blanc manges and jellies from the Swindon police and a wireless set, cutlery and other articles from the Liverpool police.

Both men were committed for trial at Deal Quarter Sessions on 30th April, bail being allowed on condition that they remained with their military unit.

Both men applied for legal aid, Roberts saying he did not plead guilty to looting.

The Mayor (Councillor F. J. Cornford) said the bench did not consider there was any need to grant legal aid at that stage. If they wished anyone to speak for them at their trial they could make application then.

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UNITING THANET

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W.V.S. and he was sure he was voicing the views of the Council as a whole when he said how much they were indebted to them for their great help. There were to-day few services, if any, which remained purely on a voluntary basis but the W.V.S. remained so and had rallied well to all demands made upon them. When the war was over there would be many to whom they would owe their gratitude but he was sure the W.V.S. would claim no small part of that gratitude for the fine part they had played during the difficult days through which they had passed.

After referring to the success of War Weapons Week and Warship Week and the arrangements already in hand for Wings for Victory Week, Councillor Pearson paid tribute to the work of Mr. Ward in his capacity as hon. secretary of these special efforts.

Changes Ahead.

Councillor Noble, continued Councillor Pearson, commenced his year of office with conditions somewhat easier and he believed that as they got nearer to days of peace so would they approach a time when decisions of considerable importance would have to be taken by local authorities, as there would be changes in local government after the war. The Thanet towns had been conferring to consider this question and no doubt sooner or later a report would be issued by the three towns. While he held the position of Chairman of the Council he had refrained from stating his views in case they should have been misconstrued as the views of the Council. He had, however, no hesitation in stating his views that day.

He was of the opinion that they should not wait until something had been done but that the three towns should decide upon a definite policy. It was true that there might be on the Council some members who preferred that Broadstairs should remain isolated but the war had proved the dangers of isolation. One of the reasons why he favoured a borough or a county borough of Thanet was because Thanet had been harder hit as a result of the war than any other coastal area in the kingdom. Thanet would be in a serious financial position and it seemed clear that Government help on no small scale would be necessary to enable them to commence to rebuild and reconstruct. There would be much more force in their case if the request for assistance came from a borough of Thanet than if it came from the individual towns. There was no doubt that after the war prosperity would return to Thanet for some time but he was anxious that it should not prove to be the false prosperity which they witnessed after the last war. They wanted steady progress and the ratepayers to be assured of a steady income.

Broader Outlook.

Subject to satisfactory financial adjustments being made, he felt that they should go forward on the lines he had indicated instead of letting matters stay as they were, so they should carefully plan beforehand and be ready to put into operation well thought-out schemes.

"I believe," concluded Councillor Pearson, "that if the three towns would work in the closest co-operation we can do a great deal to bring this about and I hope, Mr. Chairman, during your year of office we shall see some definite progress made so that when the day of peace dawns we shall be ready to take up again our task where we left it in 1939, but to take it up with a broader outlook, having in our minds a prosperous Thanet as well as a prosperous Broadstairs."

The election of Councillor Lane as deputy-chairman was proposed by Councillor E. K. Minter and seconded by Councillor O. Robinson.

Councillor B. Humphrey said he was sorry to have to strike a discordant note but he felt it his duty to state why he proposed to vote against Councillor Lane as a matter of principle. Reference had been made to the fact that it was customary for the deputy chairman to move up into the chair and he did not think that anyone who occupied the chair should also hold the position of Deputy Food Executive Officer, which was a paid executive position under the Government. He felt that both the chairman and vice-chairman should be absolutely unfettered in every way.

Councillor Lane held the position of Deputy Food Executive Officer, the Food Executive Officer being the Clerk to the Council (Mr. E. F. Owen). What would be the position of a chairman of the Council who in one capacity was deputy to the Clerk and in another capacity was his supreme commander? It was an anomalous position which should be avoided.

Councillor Humphrey said whatever the voting might be he would loyally support both the chairman and the deputy chairman.

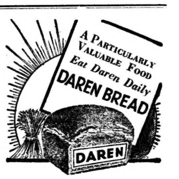
Independent Appointment.

Councillor F. Foster said he thought it should be made quite clear that Councillor Lane's Food Control appointment was quite independent of the Council and therefore the situation envisaged by Councillor Humphrey did not arise. Knowing Councillor Lane as he did he was sure he would not let a position arise which would be disadvantageous to the Council.

On being put to the vote Councillor Lane was appointed deputy chairman, Councillor Humphrey being the only member to vote against.

Returning thanks, Councillor Lane said his appointment under the Ministry of Food had nothing to do with his work on the Council and his appointment was similar to appointments held by other members of the Council.

Councillor Lane said he agreed with a lot of what Councillor Pearson had said but he did not "go the whole hog." He thought it was time the Council took a very broad view with regard to local government but he did not know whether the establishment of a county borough of Thanet would be in the best interests of Broadstairs. He thought the individuality of the towns should be preserved as far as possible for they in Broadstairs felt it had a "little something" which the other towns had not got.



CRIME IN MARGATE

CHIEF CONSTABLE'S REPORT

Crimes reported to the police in Margate last year numbered 180—four less than in 1941.

In his annual report the former Chief Constable of the borough force, Mr. W. Palmer, who now has an official position in the Kent Joint Police Force, states that 84 of the indictable crimes were detected, persons being found guilty of committing them. Sixty-four people were proceeded against locally, two soldiers were dealt with by the military authorities and five persons dealt with at other police courts were found guilty of committing crimes in Margate. Over 50 of the undetected crimes were stealing and 39 were house-breaking and shopbreaking.

The value of the property alleged to have been stolen or fraudulently obtained was given as £1,756, and that recovered was £357. Stolen property to the value of £42 was recovered in the borough for other police forces.

Of the 113 persons proceeded against for non-indictable offences 109 were found guilty. In addition 196 rate summonses and orders were served.

Nine juvenile offenders were brought before the magistrates for indictable offences, three being boys under 14 and six boys between 14 and 17. Eight were dealt with under the Probation of Offenders' Act and one was sent to an institution for mental defectives.

Letters of caution for various offences were sent to 197 persons.

THE EASTER POST

On Good Friday there will be one delivery of letters and parcels in the Ramsgate postal district. Collections will be made from the head Post Office, Ramsgate, and Broadstairs branch office, and letter boxes in the town and in the rural area in the evening at the usual times (except Cliffs End 5.30 p.m.), and the usual night mail will be despatched.

The public counter at Ramsgate head office, Broadstairs branch office and at Minster will be open as on a normal weekday.

Town sub-offices will be closed.

On Easter Monday there will be one delivery of letters and parcels. Collections will be made from the head Post Office, Ramsgate, and Broadstairs branch office, and all town letter boxes in the evening at the usual Bank Holiday times, and the usual night mail will be despatched. Collections in the rural area will be made in connection with the morning delivery.

The public counter at the head Post Office, Ramsgate, and at the Broadstairs branch office will be open from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Telegrams will also be accepted at the side door of the Ramsgate head office from 5 to 7 p.m.

Town sub-offices will be closed.

Cadets' Victory.—Minster Flight of the Thanet Squadron, A.T.C., defeated Margate Youth Club by six goals to four in a football match at Garlinge last week. Scorers for the A.T.C. were Flt.-Sgt. R. Bushell (two), Cpl. A. Hogben and Cdts. R. Hammond, K. Fagg and E. Huckstep.

Births, Engagements, Marriages and Deaths

The PREPAID charges for these announcements are 1d. per word (minimum: Births and Deaths 1/6, Engagements, Marriages, Return Thanks and In Memoriam 2/6).

BIRTHS

Drayson.—12th April, at Ileston, Nash Court-gardens, Margate, the wife of Cpl. R. H. Drayson, R.A.C., of a daughter.

Maharry.—12th April, at Hartsdown-road, Margate, the wife of Sgt.-Maj. R. L. Maharry, of a daughter.

Spencer-Payne.—16th April, at Spalding, Lincs., to Louise, the wife of Cpl. Harold Ernest Spencer-Payne, R.E.M.E., a son (Michael Ernest).

MARRIAGES

Gibbons—McKenzie.—17th April, at the Cavendish Baptist Church, Ramsgate, by the Rev. Harcourt Samuel, William Gibbons, of Stafford, to Joyce A. McKenzie, of Ramsgate.

Wale—Samson.—10th April, at Holy Trinity Church, Margate, by the Rev. J. B. Cowell, Edmund Wale to Betty Irene Samson, both of Margate.

Webberley—Lawrence.—17th April, at Holy Trinity Church, Ramsgate, by the Rev. A. H. Oumler, Sgt. Philip Edward Haig Webberley, R.A.M.C., to Rita May Lawrence, of Ramsgate.

DEATHS

Day.—14th April, at 54 Approach-road, Margate, John William Day, aged 89 years.

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